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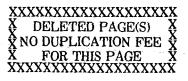






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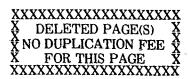






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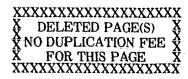






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On January 10, 1972, a newspaper clipping came to the attention of this office, undated, with a Washington byline captioned "Sanctuary for Racketeers," by JACK ANDERSON. The newspaper containing the article is also unknown, although it is noted that JACK ANDERSON is a syndicated columnist. In the article ANDERSON stated that racketeers with "Jewish background' have sought sanctuary in Israel, adding "the Israeli Government has been quietly investigating their dark pasts." ANDERSON identified these individuals as:

MEYER LANSKY;

HARRY STROMBERG, also known as Nig Rosen;

JOE STACHER:

MORRIS SCHMERTZLER. Also known as Max Courtney;

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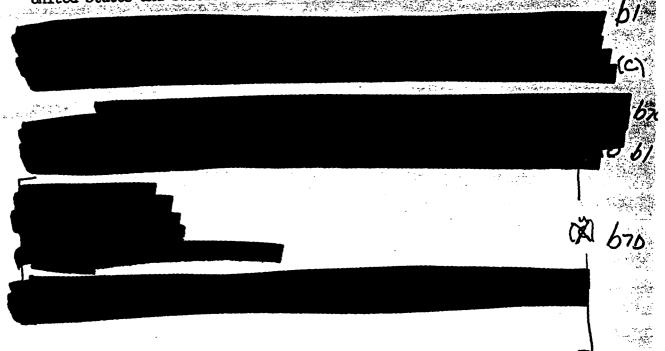
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The article further alleged that ANDERSON's associate, identified as LES WHITTEN, traced United States dollars from Swiss to Israeli banks, noting that WHITTEN spoke to "top bankers" in the United States and Switzerland.











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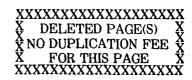


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### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

#### FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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The November 15, 1971, edition of the "Jerusalem Post," an English-language daily newspaper published in Jerusalem, Israel, contained the following:

'High Court Orders Stay of Lansky Expulsion

"The High Court of Justice yesterday ordered the Minister of the Interior, Dr. Yosef Burg, to refrain from issuing an expulsion order against Meyer Lansky until such time as his petition for a writ against the Minister is finally decided.

"This interim order, as well as an order nisi calling on Dr. Burg to show cause, within thirty days, why he should not grant Meyer Lansky an immigrant's visa under the Law of Return, was issued by Supreme Court Justice Moshe Etzioni.

'The petition for the order nisi which was submitted by Advocate Yoram Alroy, states that when the 70-year-old Meyer Lansky arrived in Israel last July (1970) on a visitor's visa he announced his intention of applying for an immigrant's visa for the purpose of settling permanently in Israel. His lawyer was informed in December, however, that the Minister of the Interior was weighing up the question of whether to grant Lansky an immigrant's visa or not in the light of the fact that section 2 of the Law of Return empowers the Minister to refuse an immigrant's visa to an applicant who 'is a person with a criminal past, likely to endanger public welfare.'

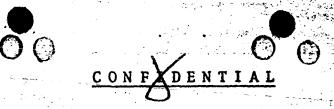
"At the end of December the Minister of the Interior informed Lansky that he had decided not to grant him an immigrant's visa or renew his visitor's visa. This decision of the Minister was based on a study of almost 1,000 documents, photostatic copies of which were attached to the petition to the High Court. These documents, which were given to Mr. Alroy by Mrs. Huebner of the Ministry of the Interior

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for a period of 48 hours only, include reports of a U. S. Senate Committee on an investigation into organized crime in America, in which the name of Meyer Lansky is mentioned, and of the U. S. Immigration Department's attempts to cancel Lansky's American citizenship because of several prison sentences which had been imposed upon him at various times, as well as cuttings from the American press, including the Readers' Digest and Life, in which Lansky is associated with the American underworld.

"Mr. Alroy contends in his petition that he and his client were shown these documents only after the Minister had already reached his decision not to grant Lansky an immigrant's visa and that in failing to inform Lansky of the details of the charges against him and to give him an opportunity to defend himself, the Minister had violated the rules of natural justice.

"As to the value of the documents, Mr. Alroy alleged in his petition that an appreciable number of them have no connection whatsoever with Lansky, and that the rest are a 'collection of rumours, vilification and gossip from an undisclosed source.' The petition alleges furthermore that the documents provide no legal proof, or any evidence whatsoever, to justify defining Lansky as 'a person with a criminal past, likely to endanger public welfare.'

"In the petition Lansky denies all connection with the American underworld of organized crime and alleges that the charges brought against him in the U. S., when he was already in Israel, are completely unfounded, were framed with the intention of persecuting him and were irrelevant to his application for an immigrant's visa. As an example of the hostile atmosphere which had been created around lansky, the petition mentions the fact that the U. S. authorities had invalidated his American passport several weeks ago, 'alleging that this was done with the intention of compelling him to return to the U. S. in the event that his Israel visa were not extended, as without a passport he would be unable to enter any other country.

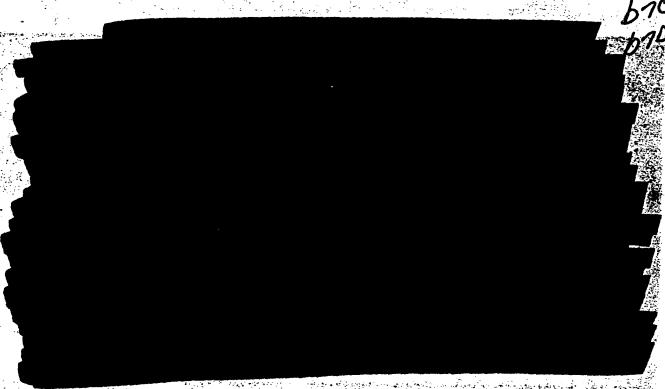
"In conclusion Advocate Alroy submits in his petition that Dr. Burg's handling of his client's application reveals an absence of good faith, an abuse of his powers, reliance on invalid considerations and an erroneous interpretation of the law."

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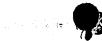
The January 13, 1972, edition of the "Jerusalem Post," contained an article as follows:

"Lansky May Go Wherever He's Welcome

"The Minister of Interior is prepared to issue Meyer Lansky with a laissez passer enabling him to enter any country willing to accept him. This was disclosed yesterday in the Ministry of Interior's reply to a High Court order nisi calling on the Minister to justify his refusal to grant Lansky an immigrant visa.

'The reply, submitted by State Attorney Gabriel Bach, denied an allegation by Lansky that the Minister was indirectly seeking his extradition to the U. S. It revealed that the Minister had informed Lansky of the laissez passer offer last September, and that the offer still held good. Mr. Lansky's U. S. passport was invalidated because of charges pending against him in the U. S.







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"The Minister's reply to the High Court's order nist, which was signed by Mrs. Yehudit Huebbner, the Deputy Director-General of the Ministry of the Interior, in charge of immigration and registration, confirmed that since December, 1970, when Lansky had first applied for immigrant status, the Minister had been weighing up the possibility of rejecting his application on the grounds, laid down in section 2 (b) of the Law of the Return, 1950, that 'he was a person with a criminal past, likely to endanger public welfare.' He had not acted immediately upon impulse but had withheld his decision pending a thorough investigation of the information he had received concerning Lansky's connections with the world of organized crime.

"The Minister said in his statement that he had only reached his final conclusion to reject Lansky's application for an immigrant visa, after he had studied a report of the investigation carried out by Mr. Gabriel Bach, the State Attorney, in Washington, at the request of Mr. Shapiro, the Minister of Justice, as well as minutes of a three-hour meeting between Mrs. Huebbner, the legal adviser of the Ministry, Lansky and his lawyer, in which Lansky had been given the opportunity to state his case fully.

"After being informed of the Minister's decision, Lansky asked for a meeting with him and an opportunity to study the documents and material which Mr. Bach had brought from a 10-day visit to the U. S. Justice Department. He was given copies of the documents and his attention was drawn to a number of books, dealing with organized crime in general and his activities in particular. He and his lawyer were informed that they would be given an opportunity of commenting on the material, after they had had time to study it. However, after studying the material, Lansky had decided to petition the High Court instead of taking advantage of this opportunity.

### "State Attorney's Study

The statement gave a summary of the information collected by Mr. Bach.

'This information was divided under several headings. The first related to publications on organized crime in America, in each of which a 'place of honour' was given to Lansky, classing him with the 'big names' in the American underworld. Amongst quotations from these publications is the following from 'Theft of the Nation,' a book by Professor Cressey, a member of the President's Commission on



Law Enforcement and Administration of Justice, which was published in 1969: 'The career of Maier Suchowliansky (Meyer Lansky) - a poor Russian immigrant who began his work in organized crime as an executioner and boasts because his enterprise is 'bigger than United States Steel' - is not likely to be frequently duplicated in the future. For that matter, even now there are few businessmen, criminal or non-criminal, who possess the untrained organizational genius which enabled Suchowljansky to become the world's most successful money mover and corrupter... Specifically, toleration of Lansky probably rests on Casa Nostra's need for expert knowledge about gambling, especially casino gambling...'

#### "Criminal Convictions

"The second heading deals with Lansky's criminal convictions. These appear to be remarkably mild for a man with such a notorious reputation, including only two convictions for disorderly conduct in 1918 and 1920, a fine of \$100 for contravening the Prohibition laws in 1931, a fine of \$1,000 for illicit gambling activities in his Florida Green Acres Club in 1950, and a three months' prison sentence for contraventions of the New York gambling laws in 1953.

"The insignificance of Lansky's criminal convictions is ascribed in the reply to the fact that local sheriffs and other law enforcement officers were in Lansky's pay or otherwise indebted to him, but that they were forced, in 1950 and again in 1953, to bring at least minor charges against Lansky in view of the notorious publicity he was receiving in the press and other publications. Furthermore, the statement notes that it has always been difficult to bring gangsters and mobsters to justice in America because of the virtual impossibility of getting witnesses to testify against them and the non-cooperation of the law-enforcement officers.

"Under the heading of 'Charges Pending' against Lansky two committals to trial are included - by the Grand Jury of Florida on March 25, 1971 and by the Grand Jury of Nevada, on October 22, 1971 - on charges connected with illicit gambling activities; and a committal to trial by the Florida Grand Jury - on March 24, 1971 - on a charge of criminal contempt, in that Lansky refused to appear before it after being lawfully subpoensed.

"It was in consequence of these indictments, that the validity of Lansky's U. S. passport was cancelled.





"Kefauver Report

"Amongst the most damning allegations against Lansky are those contained in the Kefauver Report, the findings of a special committee, headed by Senator Kefauver, appointed by the U. S. Senate to investigate organized crime in interstate commerce, with particular emphasis on gambling and racketeering.

"After hearing over 500 witnesses, including Lansky and topranking gangsters, the Committee concluded that gambling enterprises
formed the hard-rock core of organized crime in U. S. cities and that
the gangs operating the gambling enterprises 'are the survivors of the
murderous underworld wars of the prohibition era.' In the Committee's
words: 'Crime is on a syndicated basis to a substantial extent in many
cities. The two major crime syndicates in this country are the AccardoGuzik-Fischetti syndicate, whose headquarters are Chicago; and the
Costello-Adonis-Lansky syndicate based in New York...'

"In his testimony before the Kefauver Committee, Lansky refused to answer questions concerning his business activities and his association with leading gangsters such as Lucky Luciano, Frank Costello, Joe Adonis, etc., on the grounds that his replies would tend to incriminate him. Joe Adonis, Gerald Catend, Frank Erickson (all amongst the mobster 'elite') refused to answer questions about their association with Lansky, on the same grounds.

"Another witness, Barney Rudinski, who was employed as a 'debt collector' by the gambling clubs, informed the Committee that he had never killed anyone without an O.K. from above and that at least until 1941 killings had to be cleared in New York with Lansky.

"Reports of other Investigation Committees.

"Another Senate Committee, headed by Senator McClellan, appointed 'To Investigate Improper Activities in the Labour or Management Field,' describes Lansky in its report as 'one of the country's top gangsters' and associates him with the Mafia.

"Another Senate Committee investigating organized crime in the U. S. in July, 1971, was told by Vincent Charles Teresa, one of the very few Mafia members who consented to break his oath of silence to his organization, that: 'Gambling is the single most important activity for organized crime. Meyer Lansky is the biggest man in the casino gambling business. Cellini is the second man. That's the way it has been for many years.'

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"A Royal Commission investigating gambling in the Bahama
Islands in 1967 records the testimony of Sir Stafford Sands, the Governor of the Islands, to the effect that Lansky had approached him around 1960 and offered him a cheque for \$2,000,000 in exchange for a permit to operate gambling clubs in the Bahamas.

"Among other numerous documents which Mr. Bach brought back from the U. S. is the evidence of Daniel Francis Ahearn, who testified during an inquiry to decide whether to cancel Lansky's American citizenship. He said he had been associated with Lansky in several crimes, including robbery, and attempted murder.

"Another document - a report of the Bureau of Narcotics, issued in July, 1961 - describes Meyer Lansky as 'one of this nation's leading mobsters, one of the top Jewish associates in a syndicate composed of high-ranking hoodlums of Italian extraction who control the major rackets in the U.S.A. and Canada.

"A comprehensive 50-page report on Lansky's life and activities, prepared by the Income Tax Department of the U.S.A., sums up Lansky's history as showing that 'he has been a criminal all his adult life.'

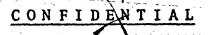
'Minister's conclusion

'Mrs. Huebbner's reply to the High Court's order nisi states that on the basis of all this information, the Minister had come to the conclusion that Meyer Lansky had a criminal past, and that because of the special nature of this criminal past, he was likely to endanger the welfare of the Israel public if allowed to remain in the country.

"She backed up this latter conclusion on the part of the Minister with reports to the effect that notorious drug smugglers were attempting to organize a 'summit meeting' of the Crime Syndicate with Lansky in Tel Aviv. These reports came from Interpol and from London's New Scotland Yard.

"She stressed that from all the information available concerning the organized crime syndicates in the U.S., it was clear that the leading members of these syndicates were not in the habit of 'retiring' and severing themselves completely from their former associates and activities.





'Mrs. Huebbner then rebutted Lansky's allegations in his petition for an order nisi that the Minister of the Interior was using indirect and devious methods in order to extradite him to America, pointing out that already in September, 1971, the Minister had informed Lansky that he was prepared to give him a laissez passer which would enable him to enter any country which agreed to accept him, and that he was still willing to do so.

"In conclusion, Mrs. Huebbner strongly denied that the Minister had acted in bad faith and in violation of the principles of natural justice - as alleged by Lansky. She claimed, on the contrary, that the Minister had exercised his discretion in a proper and fitting manner in deciding to deny Lansky immigrant status or permission to continue to remain in Israel as a temporary resident, particularly since the Knesset had had no intention of turning Israel into a place of refuge for persons with criminal pasts who are a potential danger to the public welfare."

The January 24, 1972, edition of the "Jerusalem Post" contained a letter to the editor of the newspaper, captioned "Feeling of Relief" (editor's comment), as follows:

"Sir, - The tremendous relief that was experienced upon reading the news of Meyer Lansky's pending expulsion from Israel has not been duplicated since my arrival in Israel.

"One of the main reasons I left Chicago and immigrated to Israel was to escape the choking knowledge that I was living within one of the largest and most corrupt political machines in existence today, and that there was nothing in the world that I could do to dent it, because even the officers of law were given to accepting bribes.

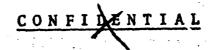
"I came with a deep love and sincere belief in the innate integrity of Israel's ideals. But upon hearing of Lansky's acceptance by Israel, the last of that belief was almost drained, and I lived in horror of the day when Israel, too, would be overridden by the scum of the earth.

"There must be many others who came from America and can empathize with the feeling of relief from impending terror that was experienced by the fear that Meyer Lansky and others like him would be welcomed here as new immigrants, and I want to say thank you to all those responsible who were not blind.

"Ramat Gan, January 17"

It is noted that Ramat Gan is a suburb of Tel Aviv.

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The March 24, 1972, issue of the "Jerusalem Post," contained the following article:

"State Tries to Document Lansky's Criminal' Past

'Even assuming for argument's sake that Meyer Lansky was once a big-time gangster, is he still one today? Is he, a man of 70 whose last conviction was in 1953, now in 1972 still 'likely to endanger the public welfare' in the words of the Law of Return?

"This was the crucial question which Justice Berenson put to State Attorney Gabriel Bach in the High Court of Justice yesterday. Mr. Bach spent much of the four-hour session trying to prove that Mr. Lansky has kept up his underworld activities till the present day, and that the Minister of Interior was therefore right in refusing to grant him an immigrant's status under the Law of Return. (The Law of Return excludes persons 'with a criminal past who are likely to endanger the public welfare.')

"The Lansky hearing ended its second day before the five-Judge High Court bench with Mr. Lansky's own lawyer, Mr. Yoram Alroi, yet to present his case. The State Attorney concluded his presentation at one o'clock and the court adjourned until this morning.

"(The hearing was originally set for Wednesday and Thursday. It now goes into its third day, and Mr. Alroi has already informed the court that one day will not suffice.)

"Lansky in Court

'Mr. Lansky himself was again in court for the entire session, sitting with his U. S. lawyer, Mr. David Rosen, with a translator between them simultaneously translating the proceedings into English.

"The most recent evidence involving Mr. Lansky which Mr. Bach cited was the testimony in 1971 of a former Mafia man, Vincent Teresa, before a U. S. Senate Committee on organized crime. Vincent who claimed to be the grandson of a Mafia 'don,' said inter-alia: 'Meyer Lansky is the biggest man in the casino gambling business... That's the way it has been for many years.'

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"Teresa added that 'gambling is the single most important activity for organized crime. They control it all over the country and all over the world...

"Vincente was the second Mafioso to break the omerta - the dreaded vow of silence which had for so long proved stronger than all the police and FBI interrogators. Eight years earlier, in 1963, a Mafia man named Joseph Valachi 'sang' to the Senate Committee. (His evidence was later the basis of a best-seller, 'The Valachi Papers.')

'Valachi told the Committee that Lansky had masterminded the killing of Maranzano, who became the 'boss of bosses' after 'Lucky' Luciano was deported to Sicily. Valachi said that Maranzano was killed by a group of gangsters disguised as policemen who were led by Lansky's henchman Red Levine.

'Most recent evidence against Lansky came from secret taperecordings which the FBI made at a gangster's retreat in New Jersey between 1961 and 1965. One gangster is taped as saying: 'Meyer owns more in Vegas tham anybody - than all of our put together (sic). He's got a piece of every joint in Vegas.'

"In 1961, the Federal Bureau of Narcotics produced a report on Lansky which said inter-alia: 'Meyer Lansky (alias "Bugs Meyer." Morris Lieberman, Meyer "The Bug." Little Meyer, George Lieberman, Meyer Lamansky, Meyer 'The Lug'), Bureau of Narcotics International list No. 169, one of this nation's leading mobsters, is one of the top Jewish associates in a syndicate composed of high-ranking hoodlums of Italian extraction who control the major rackets in the U. S. and Canada.

"Criminal Life

"Another relatively recent report which Mr. Bach cited was made by the U. S. Inland Revenue in 1959. It declared: 'Lansky's history shows he has been a criminal all his adult life.'

"In the same year, 1959, the Senate appointed a 'Select' Committee on Improper Activities in the Labour or Management Field.' Its task was to investigate the links between organized crime and trade unions.





'Mr. Bach told the court that Lansky's name came up frequently during the Committee's investigations. Its final report described him as 'one of the country's top gangsters.' Witness after witness revealed, under the questioning of Robert Kennedy, the links between organized crime and organized labour - especially with the Teamsters Union.

"Evidence of Lansky's alleged attempts to infiltrate into gambling casinos in the Bahamas came up in a Royal Commission of Inquiry appointed in 1967. A certain Sir Stafford Sands, who later became a member of the Governor of the Bahamas' Advisory Council, testified to the Commission that in 1960 Mr. Lansky had offered him a cheque for \$2m. in return for arranging a gambling concession on the islands. (Sands apparently accepted the bribe, and his career as a lawyer was completely ruined by the investigation of the Commission.)

"In 1963 and again in 1966 Mr. Lansky appeared before New York grand juries, but refused to answer - on the ground that his answer 'might tend to incriminate him' - such questions as 'Where do you work?' 'What do you do for a living?' 'Do you have any interests in any casinos in Las Vegas?' and 'Have you ever been to Grand Bahama Island?'

"Of course, the State Attorney admitted, Mr. Lansky's reticence alone could not incriminate him, but how did it square with his claim that he has had no interests in any U. S. gambling since 1950, and none in Cuba since 1959? Mr. Bach said that Mr. Lansky had repeated this claim to Mrs. Yehudit Huebbner, the senior Interior Ministry official who handled his application for immigrant's rights.

"If the claim was true, why did he refuse to answer the grand juries' questions? the State Attorney asked. And why was he now refusing to obey a subpoena issued against him to appear before a grand jury?

"Most damaging to Mr. Lansky's contention that he has 'retired to Israel was the evidence brought by Mr. Bach of an underworld 'summit' meeting which was planned for Tel Aviv last year with Mr. Lansky's participation. Acting on tips from Interpol and the British police, the Israel police barred three American citizens - Messrs. Sigelbaum, Marcus and Rose - from entering the country. Other would-be summiteers called off their trips following the expulsion of these three.





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"A cable from New Scotland Yard to Israel police at the time read in part: 'The suggested final destination was Tel Aviv, where it was thought the above subjects would endeavour to make contact with Meyer Lansky, the notorious boss of organized crime in Miami, Florida, and now resident of Israel, Interpol in Washington cabled that Sigelbaum was known as a courier, who took money 'skimmed' from the Las Vegas casinos and deposited it in Switzerland on Lansky's behalf.

"If only part of the hundreds of testimonies, the committee reports, the books, the articles, the 'notorious facts' - as Mr. Bach termed them - were true, that was sufficient grounds for the Minister of Interior's decision that he had 'a criminal past and was likely to endanger the public welfare' within the meaning of the Law of Return, Mr. Bach contended. The cumulative weight of all the material left the Minister with no alternative, he claimed.

"The courtroom was much fuller yesterday than on Wednesday, with a brisk traffic of sightseers who sat down for a few minutes, 🕾 gazed raptly at Mr. Lansky, and left again, their noisy movements: visibly annoying the bench.

Those who listened to the State Attorney were treated to some gruesome episodes from the history of pre-World War II gangland feuds. A detective named Ruditzki who later worked as an 'enforcer' for the gangs, gave evidence to the 1950 Senate Kefauver Committee that there were no killings in New York before 1941 without an okay from Lansky.

A sheriff from Florida named Walter Clark told the Committee that he had been helped in his election campaign by Meyer Lansky's brother (and partner) Jake Lansky. Once installed as sheriff, Clark showed his gratitude by Kurning a blind eye to gambling in his county, Broward County, Fla. He even ordered his police force to provide guards for the armoured cars in which the money from the gambling clubs was transported.

"One-time Accomplice

"Mr. Bach also quoted from a 142-page sworn statement given to the police by a criminal named Daniel Francis Ahearn in 1957. Ahearn spoke of many crimes which he and Lansky had committed together in the 'twenties. He told for instance how Lansky had cracked a man's head with an iron bar when the man refused to take part in a strike Lansky had planned.



"On another occasion, in 1928, Aheam said Lansky and Bugsy Siegel had shot and tried to kill a gangster called Barret. Despite three bullet-wounds, Barret survived. Lansky made another attempt to dispose of him by sending him a poisoned chicken to his hospital room. (The story - it is a classic in the annals of those wild days - is that when the wounded Barret heard from his wife that the chicken was a gift from Lansky he threw it away and was thus spared.)

"Mr. Lansky's counsel will produce a statement from Barret's sister saying that he was 'a pathological liar,' but Mr. Bach said that the fact that Lansky was arrested for the shooting - though subsequently released - shows that Barret did not invent the entire episode. (Mr. Bach did not deal with the fact that Barret was himself a self-confessed killer, which must weaken the weight of his evidence.)

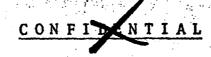
'Mr. Lansky did not suffer yesterday the pangs of hunger which he said he felt by the end of Wednesday's long session. As soon as the court rose for the mid-morning interval he made straight for the canteen and fortified himself with a sandwich. Asked by an American newsman how he felt the case was going, Mr. Lansky said he was 'not an expert' in these matters."

The April 14, 1972, edition of the "Jerusalem Post", contained an article, which, in part, is as follows:

"After Lansky: New Law Likely

"What was the difference between the cases of Meyer Lansky and Joe Stasher? This was a question posed to the Minister of Interior, Dr. Yosef Burg, by members of 'The Jerusalem Post' staff at an interview this week. Why had the Interior Ministry granted Mr. Stasher an immigrant's permit and then refused the same to Mr. Lansky, when both men are allegedly connected with the U. S. underworld? (Mr. Lansky is now contesting the Ministry's refusal in a High Court action.)

"Dr. Burg said that the permit to Mr. Stasher had been issued before he took office. Nevertheless, both he and his Ministry's Director-General, Mr. Haim Kubersky, who accompanied the Minister at 'The Post' editorial meeting, were eager to explain the decision-making process in the two cases.



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Joek Stasher

"Mr. Stasher (known as 'Doc' Stasher) first applied for citizenship in 1964. The then Minister of Interior, the late Moshe Haim Shapiro, refused him, but said that he might live in Israel on an extended tourist visa for a probation period. Several times over the following six years, Mr. Stasher renewed his application, and each time the reply was the same: wait and see. Quite by coincidence, according to Ministry Spokesman Yitzhak Agassi, the decision eventually came through just after Mr. Shapiro died, and there was an interregnum at the Ministry. The responsibility for deciding was that of Deputy. Minister Yosef Goldschmidt, and he was guided by a 'clean bill of health' on Stasher from the police.

'No pressure had been brought to bear from anyone inside or outside the National Religious Party, the Minister and his officials were at pains to stress. (Allegations of pressure have been levelled in some local newspapers.)

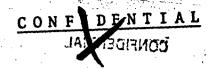
"Mr. Lansky had been better known than Mr. Stasher. When he arrived in 1970 and applied for citizenship under the Law of Return, Minister Burg postponed a final decision while he took steps to gather information on Lansky.

'There had been no mysterious hesitations. From the very first time the Ministry extended Mr. Lansky's tourist visa, it wrote to him explicitly that the decision depended on the information to be gathered about him. (Eventually, the State Attorney was dispatched to the U. S. and returned with two suitcases full of official committee reports and police and Justice Department files, all prejudicial to Mr. Lansky. On the basis of this, the Minister decided to refuse his application.)

'Mr. Agassi said that if Mr. Stasher was applying today for citizenship - he would be turned down out of hand, because the Ministry was now more alive to the danger of Israel's becoming a haven for undesirable elements.

"How had this heightened 'awareness' operated in the recent episode of Maurice Savell, the South African financier who allegedly left hundreds of investors high and dry and fled to Israel when his chain of companies got into difficulties? He applied for and received a year's temporary resident's permit from the Interior Ministry offices in Tel Aviv with no difficulty.

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"The men from the Ministry replied that they had had no knowledge or forewarning on Mr. Savell until it was too late. (The South African press had carried his story - together with speculation that he had fled to Israel - three weeks before Mr. Savell applied that he had fled to Israel Consulates had apparently not relayed for his permit, but the Israeli Consulates had apparently not relayed the information to the Ministry.) 'We do not have a detective agency, the information to the Ministry.) 'We do not have a detective agency, the information to the Ministry.) 'If neither the police, nor Interpol, nor our legations abroad give us any information - then we have no reason not to grant a man's request.'

''Dr. Burg said he expected the current High Court case of Lansky v. the Interior Ministry would lead to new legislation defining the terms 'criminal past' and 'to the Minister's satisfaction' in the Law of Return..."

The remainder of the article deals with controversial points regarding the Israeli Law of Return, as well as some comments by Interior Minister Burg on responsibilities of his office.



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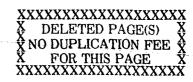






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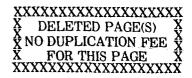


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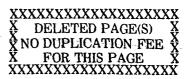






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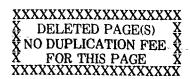






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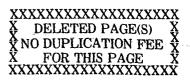






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The "Jerusalem Post," an English language newspaper published in Jerusalem, Israel, for June 7, 8, 9, 21, and 22, 1972, contained articles reporting on the Federal Grand Jury indictment in the United States regarding charges against the subject of conspiring to evade Federal income tax; the resumption of subject's case before the High Court after an adjournment; the issuance of a warrant for subject's arrest by a Federal Court in Manhattan; and the speculation in "legal circles" that the warrant for subject's arrest would be grounds for his extradition.

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SUPREME COURT OF ISRAEL DECIDED LANSKY MUST LEAVE ISRAEL. DETAILS YET AVAILABLE ON HIS TRAVEL PLANS. BECAUSE OF HOLIDAY, DAY OF ATONEMENT, SEPTEMBER EIGHTEEN, NEXT, IT IS BELIEVED NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN UNTIL AFTER THAT DATE. LANSKY HAS NOT SURRENDERED PASSPORT WHICH DOES NOT HAVE RESTRICTION THEREON LIMITING HIS TRAVEL TO RETURN TO UNITED STATES ONLY.

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SHOULD BE MADE TO EFFECT LANSKY'S ARREST UPON HIS RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES BASED UPON OUTSTANDING INDICTMENTS.

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(92-2831)-1429 FROM ACTING DIRECTOR FBI

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FOR INFORMATION LEGATS IN THE EVENT SUBJECT TRAVEL TO INTERESTED COUNTRY WHEN EXPELLED FROM ISRAEL THE FOLLOWING BACKGROUND INFORMATION IS BEING FURNISHED: LANSKY, A NOTORIOUS GAMBLING CZAR, WAS INDICTED BY FEDERAL GRAND JURY, MIAMI, FLORIDA, MARCH TWENTYFOUR, ONE NINE SEVEN ONE, CHARGED WITH VIOLATION TITLE EIGHTEEN, SECTION FOUR ZERO ONE CRIMINAL CONTEMPT OF FEDERAL GRAND JURY, MIAMI, FLORIDA. BENCH WARRANT HAD BEEN ISSUED, TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLAR BOND RECOMMENDED. LANSKY ADDITIONALLY INDICTED BY FEDERAL GRAND JURY IN MIAMI, MARCH TWENTYFIVE, ONE NINE SEVEN ONE,

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ALONG WITH TWO OTHER SUBJECTS FOR INCOME TAX VIOLATIONS RESULTING FROM ALLEGED SKIMMING FROM THE FLAMINGO HOTEL. IN LAS VEGAS. ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLAR BOND WAS SET, LANSKY IS WHITE MALE, BORN JULY FOUR, ONE NINE ZERO TWO, GRODNO, POLLAND, FIVE FEET SIX INCHES, ONE FOUR ZERO. POUNDS, BROWN EYES, BROWN-GRAY HAIR. HAS USED ALIASES MEYER LAZANSKY, MEYER SUCHOWLTANSKY, MORRIS LIEBERMAN.







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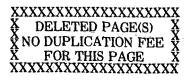






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Lansky's application for citizenship in Israel has recently been rejected and the Israeli government has indicated that it will be willing to allow lansky to travel to any country of his own choosing.

Any additional information on this matter will be promptly furnished to you.

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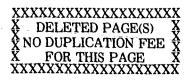






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ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2831)

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Re Bureau airtel to New Orleans and Miami, 9/22/72; and New Orleans airtel and LHM, 9/14/72.

Enclosed for the Bureau are four copies and for New York two copies of an LHM requested in referenced Bureau airtel. Also enclosed for New York are two copies of New Orleans LHM dated 9/14/72.

It will be noted that the LHM is probably identical with mentibu

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The 10/5/72 edition of 'The Jerusaem Post,' an English language newspaper, published in Jerusalem, Israel, contains an article captioned 'Police Tried to Have Lansky Extradited.' This article states that an unidentified high-ranking officer of the INP met with the late Director of the FBI J. EDGAR HOOVER in the United States in an unsuccessful attempt to have LANSKY extradited.

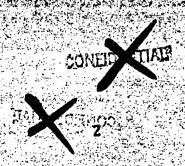
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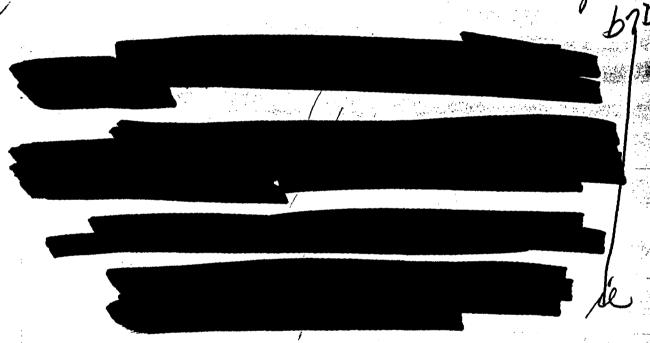


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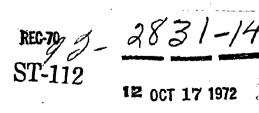
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By

Acting Director, FBI (92-2831)

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Task Force 18 has advised that it is not desired to have the New York effice conduct any investigation in this matter at the present time.

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TELETYPE TO MIAMI RE: MEYER LANSKY

LEGAT FOLLOWING THIS MATTER CLOSELY. BRANIFF FLIGHT NINE
SEVEN FOUR HAS DESTINATION POINTS AT LA PAZ, BOLIVIA, LIMA, PERU,
PANAMA CITY, PANAMA, AND MIAMI, FLORIDA, TO ARRIVE MIAMI
SIX P.M., NOVEMBER SEVEN, NEXT.

YOU ARE BEING ALERTED IN THE EVENT SUBJECT IS REFUSED
ADMITTANCE AND RETURNS TO UNITED STATES AT MIAMI. CONTACT
BRANIFF AIRLINES TO DETERMINE IF ANY INFORMATION RECEIVED
INDICATING SUBJECT TO ARRIVE MIAMI NOVEMBER SEVEN, NEXT.

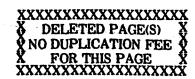






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TO ACTING DIRECTOR

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MEYER LANSKY, AKA - FUGITIVE; AR.

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Mr. Dalbey

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Mr. Soyars : Mr. Walters

Mr. Kinley \_\_\_ Mr. Armstrong

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MEYER LANSKY APPREHENDED BY SAC, MIAMI, AND BUAGIS AS HE ARRIVED MIAMI TOTER NATIONAL AIRPORT VIA BRANIFF FLIGHT NINE SEVEN FOUR, SIX A.M. SEVENTH INSTANT. ARREST WAS MADE WITHOUT INCIDENT. EXTENSIVE PRESS COVERAGE AFFORDED AT THE AIRPORT.

LANSKY TRANSPORTED TO U.S. MARSHAL'S OFFICE, HEARING SCHEDULED FOR OFFICE OF U.S. MAGISTRATE MICHAEL OSMAN, AT TWO P.M., INSTANT. TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLAR BOND RECOMMENDED.

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FIVE, LAST, ON SWISS AIR FLIGHT TWO ZERO TWO EN ROUTE RIO DE JANEIRO. LANSKY WAS ACCOMPANIED BY

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ISRAELI PASSPORT NUMBER

negotiate with Brazilian authorities to receive asylum in that SUBJECT, A NOTORIOUS HOODLUM IN THE UNITED STATES, DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE; BORN JULY FOUR, NINETEEN HUNDRED TWO AT GRODNO, POLAND; FIVE FEET, SIX INCHES, ONE FOUR ZERO POUNDS.

SUBJECT REPORTEDLY WAS ATTEMPTING TO

BROWN EYES; BROWN-GRAY HAIR. SUBJECT IS IN POSSESSION U.

PASSPORT NUMBER A DASH ZERO SIX FIGHT SIX SEVEN ZERO, ISSUED

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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Cablegram to legat buenos aires Re: Meyer Lansky

FEBRUARY THREE, NINETEEN SEVENTY AT MIAMI, WHICH HAS BEEN
REVOKED. SUBJECT WAS INDICTED BY FEDERAL GRAND JURY, LAS VEGAS,
NEVADA, OCCOBER TWENTYTWO, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE, WITH THREE
OTHER INDIVIDUALS FOR CONSPIRACY TO CONCEAL THIRTYSIX MILLION
DOLLARS IN UNREPORTED INCOME FROM FLAMINGO HOTEL CASINO; ALSO
INDICTED FEDERAL GRAND JURY, MIAMI, ON JUNE SIX, NINETEEN
SEVENTYTWO FOR CONSPIRACY TO EVADE FEDERAL INCOME TAXES ON
MONEY RECEIVED FROM GAMBLING JUNKETS; INDICTED FEDERAL GRAND
JURY, NEW YORK, NEW YORK, JUNE EIGHT, NINETEEN SEVENTYTWO ON
CHARGES OF FILING FALSE INCOME TAX RETURNS IN NINETEEN SEXTYSEEVEN
SIXTYEIGHT. BONDS RECOMMENDED TOTALING THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND
DOLLARS ON THESE CHARGES.

Advise Bureau if Lansky arrives in paraguay and if any action anticipated by authorities in that country re deportation

CABLEGRAM URGENT CODE 11/7/72 D LEGATS BERN BONN 1 - Foreign Liaison Desk BRASILIA **BUENOS AIRES** LA PAZ LONDON **MANAGUA PARIS** TEL AVIV FROM ACTING DIRECTOR FH MEYER LANSKY, AKA - FUGITIVE, ANTI-RACKETEERING. SUBJECT TAKEN INTO CUSTODY BY BUAGENTS ON THIS DATE WHEN HE LANDED AT MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT ABOARD BRANIFF FLIGHT NINE SEVEN FOUR. TO BE ARRAIGNED THIS DATE AT MIAMI. ISCONTIQUE ANDO ADVISE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES OF SUBJECT'S APPREHENSION. 19 NOV 8 1972 ST-111 FREE L BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION COMMUNICATIONS SECTIO Felt Baker Bishop. Callahan Cleveland Conrad Dalbey Gebhardt Jenkins Marshall NOV 14 1972 Miller, E.S. **ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED** Purvis HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED Sovere 3/12/84 BYSPIGSKI Oms Walters Tele. Room Mr. Kinley

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Acting Director, FBI

MEYER LANSKY, aka FUGITIVE: AR 00: Miami

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Enclosed is one photograph of subject and LHM containing pertinent background concerning Lansky.

For your information, Lansky is in possession of U. S. Passport number A-068670, issued 2-3-70 at Miami, which has been revoked.

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FROM ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2831)

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MEYER LANSKY, AKA MEYER LAZANSKY, MEYER
SUCHOWLTANSKY, MORRISIPBERMAN; AR: FUGITIVE, OO: MM.

LEGAT TEL AVIV TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED BUREAU, THIS DATE, SUBJECT DEPARTED TEL AVIV, ISRAEL, SWISS AIR FLIGHT THREE THREE SEVEN, APPROXIMATELY SEVEN FORTYFIVE, P.M., NOVEMBER FIVE, NINETEEN SEVENTY-TWO, WITH STOPS AT GENEVA, SWITZERLAND, AND AMSTERDAM, BOLLAND. SUBJECT'S EXACT ITINERARY UNKNOWN.

SUBJECT, A KNOWN NOTORIOUS HOODLUM IN UNITED STATES
WHITE MALE, BORN JULY FOUR, NINETEEN TWO, AT GRODNO,
POLAND, AND FBI# SEVEN NINE ONE SEVEN EIGHT THREE.

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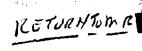
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### Cablegram to Bern, Bonn, London, Paris

RE: MEYER LANSKY

ALL LEGATS DETERMINE SUBJECT'S EXACT ITINERARY, THE

ADVISE PERTINENT LEGATS AND BUREAU OF RESULTS OF SAME.

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NOTE: Supervisor SA Division 5, advised 11/5/72 Legat Tel Aviv advised him telephonically that Meyer Lansky departed Tel Aviv, Israel, Swiss Air Flight 337 with stops at Geneva, Switzerland, and Amsterdam, Holland, Tel Aviv had no additional information.

Legat Bern, Switzerland, telephonically advised 2:15 p.m., 11/5/72, of the above information. Instructed to notify Legat Bonn telephonically of this information.

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Foreign Liaison Desk URGENT

11-6-72

TO LEGATS BERN (92-8)
LA PAZ
MANAGUA

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FROM ACTING DIRECTOR FBI (92-2831) -

MEYER LANSKY, AKA; AR - FUGITIVE. OO: MIAMI.

REURCAB NOVEMBER SIX, INSTANT.

YOU SHOULD ADVISE SWES AUTHORITIES SUBJECT LANDED
RIO DE JANEIRO AND WAS REFUSED ADMITTANCE BY BRAZILIAN
AUTHORITIES, AND AFTER SHORT DELAY DEPARTED ENROUTE BUENOS
AIRES. SUBJECT ARRIVED BUENOS AIRES THIS DATE AND REFUSED
ADMITTANCE, AND AFTER DELAY ENROUTE PARAGUAY.

LEGAT BUENOS AIRES VERIFYING HIS ARRIVAL IN PARAGUAY
AND WILL FOLLOW.

Mr. Kinley \_

Mr. Armstrong \_\_\_\_

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TO ACTING DIRECTOR (92-2831) NR 143-06

FROM LEGAT BERN (92-8) IP

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RE BERN CABLE NOVEMBER SIX, INSTANT. SWISS URGENTLY REQUEST INFORMATION WHETHER LANSKY LANDED IN RIO DE JANEIRO. SUCAB.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT Memorandum Dalbey Gebhardt 11/6/72 Mr. Felt OT DATE: Marshall Miller, E.S. Purvis W. V. Cleveland FROM Tele. Room Mr. Kinley MEYER LANSI SUBJECT: Mr. Armstrong Ms. Herwig aka - FUGITIVE: Mrs. Neenan ANTI-RACKETEERING 00: mm The purpose of this memorandum is to advise that the Legal Attache in Tel Aviv telephonically advised the Bureau on 11/5/72 that Meyer Lansky. (major organized crime figure who has been residing in Israel) had departed Tel Aviv, Israel, by Swiss Air Flight at approximately 7:45 p.m., 11/5/72, en route to Geneva, Switzerland. The Legal Attache in Bern who was alerted to this travel subsequently advised that Lansky had left Geneva, Switzerland, at 12 Midnight, Geneva time, 11/5/72 by Swiss Air en route through Dakar, Senegal, to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. ACTION: \ Hey 7 2 21 FH "72 1 - Mr. Bishop - Mr. Cleveland 1 - Fugitive Supervisor TE NOV 1 CVOTEMY ALL INFORMATION CONTAINS HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

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### Memorandum

TO :

Mr. Felt

DATE: November 6, 1972

FROM

W. V. Cleveland

SUBJECT:

MEYER LANSKY, aka FUGITIVE

ANTI-RACKETEERING

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This is to advise of telephonic information received this afternoon, 11/6/72, from our Legal Attache in Buenos Aires, Argentina, who advised that captioned fugitive (a major organized crime figure being sought for violations of the Anti-Racketeering Statute) had arrived in Buenos Aires by a Pan American flight from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, this afternoon. According to the Legal Attache, upon his arrival in Rio de Janeiro, he was informed by Brazilian authorities that he could not remain permanently in that country. He was therefore almost immediately placed on the Pan American flight to Buenos Aires by the Brazilian authorities. The Legal Attache stated that the Argentina authorities, likewise, do not desire that Lansky remain in their country and they have scheduled him for a flight to Asuncion, Paraguay, which flight is scheduled to leave from Buenos Aires this afternoon.

### ACTION:

The Legal Attache at Buenos Aires stated he would keep the Bureau advised and should deportation in Paraguay appear possible, he will furnish the anticipated cost figures concerning Lansky's deportation to the United States.

Date 3/0/24 By SPIGSKIOMS

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

### 1emorandum

TO

: Mr. Felt

DATE:

11/7/72

FROM

W. V. Cleveland

SUBJECT:

**FUGITIVE** 

ANTI-RACKETEERING

Miami on the morning of 11/7/72.

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Meyer Lansky, a major organized crime figure, was arrested by FBI Agents under the supervision of the Special Agent in Charge at Miami upon Lansky's arrival by plane from Panama at 6:30 a.m., 11/7/72. Lansky, who was being sought for criminal contempt of a Federal grand jury and for income tax violations, has been residing in Israel since 1970; however, he departed that country on 11/5/72 via Switzerland en route to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. When the Brazilians refused to allow him permanent residence in that country, he thereafter was placed on a flight which, after stopping at several Latin American capital cities, terminated in

The Miami Office telephonically advised the Bureau of Lansky's apprehension, noting there was considerable local press interest in Miami. Lansky will be arraigned before a magistrate in Miami based on the contempt citation warrant as well as on the indictment for income tax violations.

#### ACTION:

This matter has been coordinated with the Crime 15 NOV 9 1972 Records Division in view of the press interest.

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MEYER LANSKY, AKA MEYER LAZANSKY; MEYER SUCHOWLTANSKY; MORRIS LIEBERMAN; AR - FUGITIVE, OO: MIAMI.

SUBJECT DEPARTED TEL AVIV, ISRAEL BY SWISSAIR,

SEVEN FORTYFIVE, P.M., NOVEMBER FIVE, LAST. LEGAT BERN

ADVISED LANSKY LEFT GENEVA, SWITZERLAND AT TWELVE MIDNIGHT,

NOVEMBER FIVE, LAST ON SWISSAIR FLIGHT TWO ZERO TWO.EN ROUTE

TO RIO DE JANEIRO VIA DAKAR, SENEGAL, TO ARRIVE FOUR TWENTY A.M.

LOCAL TIME. LANSKY WAS ACCOMPANIED BY

AN ISRAELI CITIZEN WITH

ISRAELI PASSPORT NUMBER

SUBJECT, A NOTORIOUS HOODLUM IN UNITED STATES DESCRIBED AS WHITE WALEL BORN JULY FOUR, NINETEEN HUNDRED TWO AT GRODNO,

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CABLEGRAM TO LEGAT BRASILIA

RE: MEYER LANSKY

POLAND; FIVE FEET, SIX INCHES, ONE FOUR ZERO POUNDS, BROWN
EYES; BROWN-GRAY HAIR. SUBJECT WAS INDICTED BY FEDERAL GRAND
JURY, MIAMI, FLORIDA, MARCH TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTYTWO,
CHARGED WITH VIOLATION TITLE EIGHTEEN, SECTION FOUR ZERO ONE,
CRIMINAL CONTEMPT OF FEDERAL GRAND JURY, MIAMI. BENCH WARRANT
ISSUED, TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS BOND RECOMMENDED. ALSO
INDICTED BY FEDERAL GRAND JURY, MIAMI, MARCH TWENTYFIVE,
NINETEEN SEVENTYONE, FOR INCOME TAX VIOLATION RESULTING FROM
ALLEGED SKIMMING FROM FLAMINGO HOTEL, LAS VEGAS. ONE HUNDRED
THOUSAND DOLLARS BOND SET ON THIS CHARGE.

IMMEDIATELY ADVISE BUREAU IF SUBJECT LOCATED THROUGH
YOUR SOURCES IN RIO DE JANEIRO, AND IF HE INTENDS TO REMAIN
IN BRAZIL. ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND AND PHOTOGRAPH OF SUBJECT
WILL BE FURNISHED. DEPARTMENT ADVISED THESE OFFENSES ARE
NOT EXTRADITABLE WITH BRAZILIAN AUTHORITIES.







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MEYER LANSKY. AR.

DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY REQUESTED DETAILS OF SERVICE OF COURT ORDER ON LANSKY MARCH FOUR, ONE NINE SEVEN ONE, FOR HIS APPEARANCE SPECIFIC INFORMATION ABOUT ANY EXCUSES LANSKY IN MIAMI, FLORIDA. MADE THAT HE WAS NOT ABLE TO TRAVEL IN COMPLIANCE WITH COURT ORDER INCLUDE COMMENT RE ANY APPARENT REASON KNOWN SHOULD BE FURNISHED. TO CONSULAR OFFICIAL WHO CONTACTED HIM THAT LANSKY WAS IN ANY MANNER UNABLE TO COMPLY WITH COURT ORDER. FURNISH AVAILABLE DETAILS OF CONTACT BY CONSULAR OFFICIAL WITH LANSKY CONCERNING SERVICE OF COURT ORDER AND IF POSSIBLE FORWARD COPIES OF REPORT OR OTHER RECORD MADE BY CONSULAR OFFICIAL OF CONTACT WITH LANSKY SUCAB SUMMARY OF AVAILABLE INFORMATION.
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

Chief of Task, Force 18, advised issue of proper service of court order 3/4/71 of Lansky at Tel Aviv, Israel, was raised during hearing 11/7/72, USDC, Miami. Lansky had been subpoensed to testify on organized crime matters before a Federal Grand Jury on 3/10/71. He was indicted 3/24/71 for criminal contempt (Title 18, Section 401).

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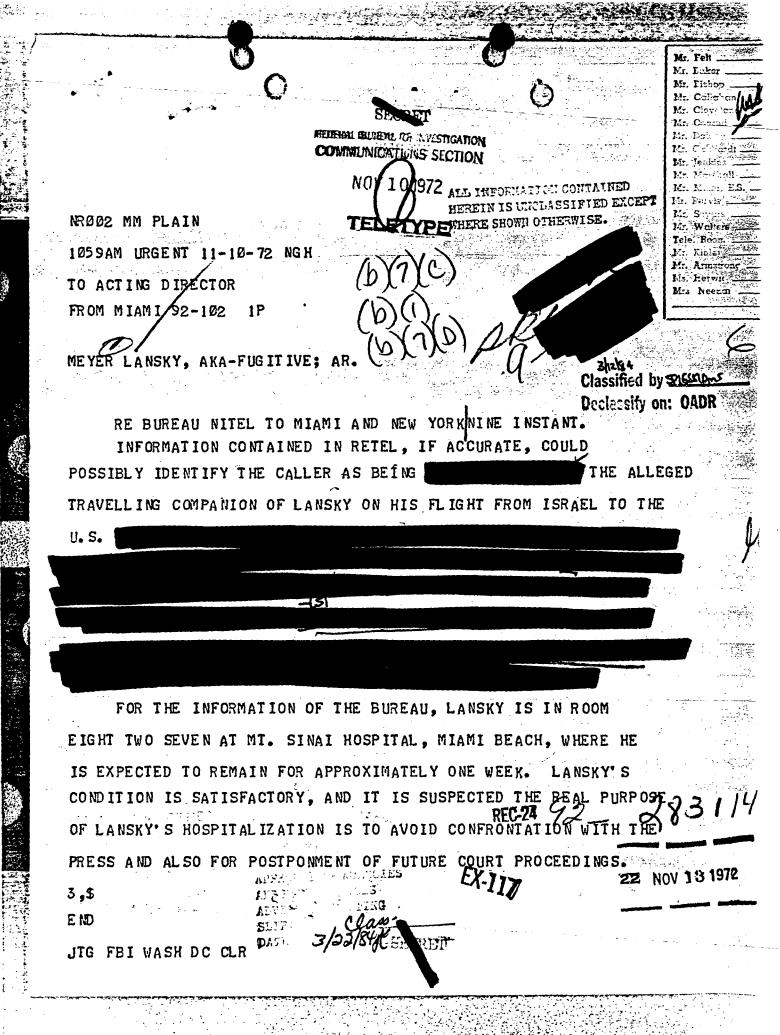
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MEYER LANSKY, aka 
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DATE INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD

11/10/72 11/7/72

REPORT MADE BY.

CHARACTER OF CASE

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12-6-72

#### REFERENCE

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#### **ADMINISTRATIVE**

A copy of this report is being designated for the New York Office as they are origin of the MEYER LANSKY Group investigation.

Copy to:

Departmental Attorney

Miami, Florida

Report of:

November 10, 1972

Office: Miami, Florida

Date:

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Bureau File #: 92-2831

Title:

MEYER LANSKY

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Character:

ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

Subject taken into custody upon arrival Miami International Airport at 6:10 a.m., 11/7/72, by SAC and Bureau Agents, Miami office. Subject arrested on basis violation Criminal Contempt, FGJ, Miami, Fla., Title 18, Section 401, USC. Warrant issued USDC: Miami, Fla., 3/24/71. Subject appeared before U. S. Magistrate, same date; bond set at \$250,000 surety and \$200,000 personal recognizance with restrictions. Subject at torney agreed to restrictions and advised they will plead not guilty to all charges on all indictments. Subject made bond same date.

DETAILS:

Ing credit recorded on Sen # 1453.

At Miami, Florida:

On March 24, 1971, MEYER LANSKY was charged with Criminal Contempt of the Federal Grand Jury, Miami, Florida, in violation of Title 18, Section 401, U. S. Code. The warrant for his arrest was issued by the U. S. District Court on the same date.

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MEYER LANSKY was placed into custody on board Braniff Airline Flight #974, Miami International Airport, at 6:10 a.m. He was advised of the identities of the arresting Agents, of the fact that there was a warrant outstanding for him, and was advised of his rights and privileges as set forth in the Waiver of Rights Form.

He was escorted to the U. S. Customs clearing area at the Miami International Airport and completed Customs examination at 7:20 a.m. He was brought to the Miami FBI Office and arrived at this office at 7:35 a.m. At 8:05 a.m., LANSKY was taken from the Miami FBI Office to the U. S. Marshal Detention Office in the Federal Courthouse Building. He was turned over to the U. S. Marshal at 8:25 a.m.

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On November 7, 1972, a hearing was held before U. S. Magistrate MICHAEL J. OSMAN, Southern District of Florida, Miami, Florida, at which time OSMAN set bond on LANSKY at \$250,000 surety and \$250,000 personal recognizance. OSMAN placed the following restrictions on LANSKY as conditions of this bond. He is to report bi-weekly to Strike Force Attorney in Charge he is restricted in travel to Dade and Broward Countles, Florida; and he must immediately surrender his U. S. Passport to the U. S. Embassy in Tel Aviv, Israel.

E. DAVID ROSEN, attorney, Miami, Florida, representing LANSKY, agreed to the aforementioned restrictions and conditions and indicated that he would plead his client, MEYER LANSKY, not guilty to all charges on all indictments outstanding against him.

LANSKY made this bond on the afternoon of November 7, 1972.

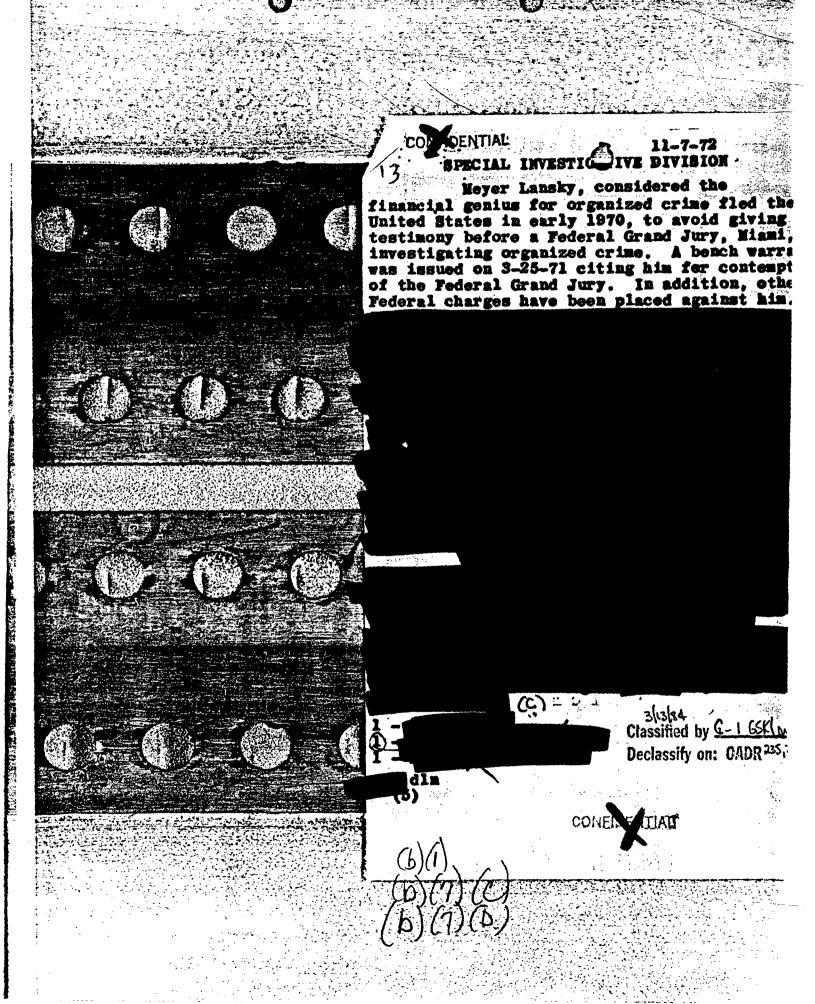






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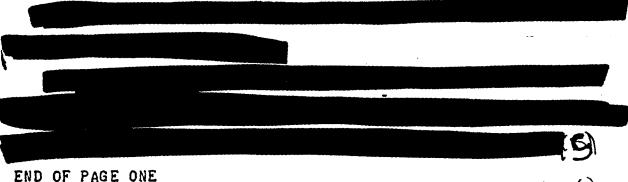
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MEYER LANSKY, AKA - FUGITIVE.

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RE LEGAT, BUENOS AIRES, TELEPHONE CALLS TO BUREAU NOVEMBER SIX LAST; BUREAU CABLE NOVEMBER SIX LAST.

OFFICE SOURCES REPORTED EARLY MORNING NOVEMBER SEVEN INSTANT THAT SUBJECT APPREHENDED BY BUREAU AGENTS AT MIAMI. FLORIDA, UPON HIS ARRIVAL BRANIFF FLIGHT NINE SEVEN FOUR, AFTER A MARATHON JOURNEY THROUGH SOUTH AND CENTRAL AMERICA.











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RE BUE CAB NOVEMBER THIRTEEN, LAST.

UPON ARRIVAL IN MIAMI SUBJECT PRESENTED NO PAPERS TO IMMIGRATION AND HAD EXHIBITED ONLY LANDING PASS AND CUSTOMS DECLARATION WHICH HE COMPLETED ON PLANE. CUSTOMS SEARCHED BAGGAGE AND NO DOCUMENTS NOTED THEREIN. LATER PERSONAL SEARCH SHOWED LANSKY POSSESSED TWENTYSEVEN HUNDRED DOLLARS IN CASH, SOME PILLS, BUT NO PASSPORT, LAISSEZ-PASSER, OR OTHER DOCUMENTS. ANSWER FROM LEGAT, TEL AVIV WILL BE FORWARDED WHEN RECEIVED.

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NOTE: Legat, Buenos Aires requested information concerning Paraguarismigrant visa alleged to have been obtained by Lansky in Israel facilitate his departure from Israel and entry into Paraguay as a resident. Superviso Miami, furnished information by telephone regarding search 11/14/72.

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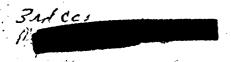
BUREAU REQUESTED TO ASCERTAIN THROUGH MIAMI OFFICE WHETHER SUBJECT HAD PARAGUAY IMMIGRANT VISA IN HIS POSSESSION WHEN APPREHENDED BY BUAGENTS NOVEMBER SEVEN LAST.

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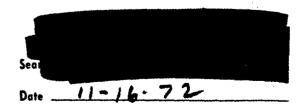
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TO SACS LAS VEGAS MIAMI NEW YORK

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FROM ACTING DIRECTOR FBI

ELSUR, MEYER LANSKY, AKA, BUDED: NOVEMBER TWENTY, NEXT. REBUAIRTEL OCTOBER ONE. ONE NINE SIX NINE.

SEVEN ONE. AND ONE NINE SIX EIGHT, RESPECTIVELY.

THE DEPARTMENT HAS REQUESTED AN ELSUR CHECK ON CAPTIONED INDIVIDUAL WHO IS THE SUBJECT OF INDICTMENTS IN THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, DISTRICT OF NEVADA, AND TWO IN THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA INVOLVING VIOLATIONS OF T TWENTY-SIX. USC. SECTION SEVEN TWO ZERO SIX (ONE); T EIGHTEEN, USC, SECTION THREE SEVEN ONE; T EIGHTEEN, USC, SECTION FOUR ZERO TWO. AND T EIGHTEEN. USC. SECTIONS ONE NINE FIVE TWO AND THREE INDICTMENTS ALLEGE THAT THE VIOLATIONS SEVEN ONE, RESPECTIVELY. OCCURRED IN ONE NINE SIX EIGHT. ONE NINE SIX ZERO, ONE NINE

CONDUCT CHECK IN ORDER TO ANSWER SPECIFIC QUESTIONS CONTAINED IN CRIMINAL DIVISION MEMORANDUM APRIL SIXTEEN, ONE NINE SIX NINE. KEY ANSWERS TO CORRESPOND WITH QUESTIONS A'TH

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Teletype is being used in this matter because the Department has requested that replies be furnished as expeditiousl as possible in electronic surveillance checks.

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Teletype to Las Vegas Re: Meyer Lansky

ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE, FURNISH IDENTITY OF MONITORING SOURCES
AND FURNISH ONE TRUE COPY OF LOGS COVERING MONITORED

CONVERSATIONS. FURNISH ONE COPY OF NECESSARY COMMUNICATIONS
WHICH EXPAND OR SUMMARIZE PORTIONS OF THE INDIVIDUAL'S

CONVERSATIONS CONTAINED IN LOGS. IT WILL SUFFICE TO IDENTIFY
FOR BUREAU REPORTS OR COMMUNICATIONS CONTAINING MICROPHONE
INFORMATION IN THE DETAILS PERTINENT TO THE INDIVIDUALS COVERED.

ADVISE WHETHER SUBJECT OR PREMISES IN WHICH HE HAD
PROPRIETARY INTEREST HAVE BEEN SUBJECT OF ANY LAWFUL
ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE WHERE ONE OF THE PARTIES MAY HAVE
CONSENTED TO THE SURVEILLANCE, AS WELL AS SUCH SURVEILLANCE
CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF PUBLIC LAW NINE ZEROTHREE FIVE ONE.

WHEN CONDUCTING SEARCH, INSURE KNOWN ALIASES OF SUBJECT ARE SEARCHED IN ADDITION TO SUBJECT'S TRUE NAME.

IF THIS INDIVIDUAL WAS COVERED BY :TITLE III, IDENTIFY SUCH COVERAGE AND NAME OF DEPARTMENT'S REPRESENTATIVE IN FIELD WHO WAS FURNISHED THE INFORMATION.

ADVISE IF ANY STATE OR LOCAL AUTHORITIES PURSUANT TO
YOUR SUGGESTION OR WITH YOUR KNOWLEDGE HAVE CONDUCTED
-ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE ON SUBJECT.

Teletype to Las Vegas Re: Neyer Lansky

ALL OFFICES BRING ONE NINE SIX NIME ELSUR CHECK UP TO DATE.

LANSKY HAS RESIDED IN ISRAEL SINCE JULY, ONE NINE SEVEN ZERO
HE HAS A FORMER ADDRESS OF ONE FIVE ZERO FIVE COLLINS AVENUE.

MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, BORN JULY FOUR, ONE NINE ZERO TWO:

FBI NUMBER SEVEN NINE ONE SEVEN EIGHT THREE, SSAN ZERO NIME 
ZERO THREE-EIGHT FIVE - THREE FOUR. ALSO KNOWN AB

MORRIS LIEBERMAN, BUGSY MEYER, LITTLE MEYER, BUGS MEYER,

MEYER THE BUG, THE BUG, JOHNNY EGGS, MEYER SUCHOW LANSKY,

MEYER SUCHOWLTANKSY.

SUTEL RESPONSE TO REACH BUREAU BY COB NOVEMBER TWENTY, NEXT. IF POSITIVE, SUBMIT LOGS BY AIRTEL.

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6:25 PM NITEL 11-17-72 SGT

ACTING DIRECTOR TO FROM LAS VEGAS (66-351) (b)(1)(c)

ELSUR, MEYER LANSKY, AKA, BUDED NOVEMBER TWENTY NEXT.

RE BUREAU NITEL NOVEMBER SIXTEEN SEVENTYTWO.

ELSUR INDICES IN LAS VEGAS OFFICE WERE SEARCHED WITH THE FOLLOWING RESULTS CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING NAME AND ALIASES.

MEYER LANSKY, AKA, MORRIS LIEBERMAN, BUGSY MEYER, LITTLE MEYER, BUGS MEYER, MEYER THE BUG, THE BUG, JOHNNY EGGS, MEYER SUCHOWLANSKY, MEYER SUCHOWLTANSKY:

B THROUGH F: NA. NO.

INDICES OF THE LAS VEGAS OFFICE CONCERNING TITLE THREE SURVEILLANCES WHICH WERE CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE PUBLIC LAW NINE ZERO THREE FIVE NEGATIVE CONCERNING LANSKY. LANSKY WAS NOT COVERED B 120 KOV 29 1972 ANY TITLE THREE IN THE LAS VEGAS OFFICE. ST-112 END PAGE ONE

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THE ABOVE SEARCH INCLUDED ALL ELECTRONIC, MECHANI-CAL AND OTHER DEVICES AS DEFINED IN TITLE EIGHTEEN, U.S. CODE SECTION TWO FIVE ONE ZERO (FIVE) (PRESENT DEPARTMENT REQUEST).

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1) TO ACTING/DIRECTOR

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FROM NEW YORK (92-4564)

ELSUR. MEYER LANSKY, AKA, BUDED: NOVEMBER TWENTY, NEXT.

REBUTEL TO LAS VEGAS. NOVEMBER SIXTEEN. LAST AND NEW YORK AIRTEL TO BUREAU. OCTOBER SIX. ONE NINE SIX NINE.

A REVIEW OF NYO SPECIAL INDICES AND CORRESPONDING RECORDS WAS CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH CRIMINAL DIVISION MEMORANDUM APRIL SIXTEEN. ONE NINE SIX NINE CONCERNING MEYER LANSKY. SUCH A REVIEW REVEALS NO ADDITIONS TO THE ELSUR CHECK RESULTS SET OUT IN REFERENCED NEW YORK AIRTEL.

SUCH A REVIEW ALSO FAILED TO INDICATE THAT SUBJECT OR PREMISES IN WHICH HE HAD PROPRIETARY INTEREST HAVE BEEN SUBJECT OF ANY LAWFUL ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE.

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REVIEW OF ALL PERTINENT FILES MIAMI OFFICE FAILED TO

REVEAL SINCE MINETEEN SIXTYNINE ANY PREMISES IN WHICH

LANSKY HAD PROPRIETARY INTEREST THAT HAVE BEEN SUBJECT OF ANY

LAWFUL ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE WHERE ONE OF THE PARTIES MAY

HAVE CONSENTED TO THIS SURVEILLANCE AS WELL AS SUCH

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Assistant Attorney General Criminal Division

For the Acting Director, FBI W. Mark Felt Acting Associate Director MEYER LANSKY

ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE

November 24, 1972

- Mr. Cleveland

Reference is made to your memorandum dated November 15. 1972, HEP:PTW:lrt, 177-012, requesting electronic surveillance information on captioned individual, and to this Bureau's memorandum dated October 27, 1969, to the Assistant Attorney General, Criminal, Division, captioned as above.

On the basis of identifying data provided by the Department concerning captioned individual, a review has been made of appropriate records. Since the submission of the above-referenced 1969 letter. Lansky has not been the subject of a direct electronic surveillance nor have any of his conversations been monitored by an electronic device of the FBL Furthermore, other than the information set forth in the 1969 letter, this Bureau has not maintained any electronic surveillance on premises which were known to have been owned, leased, or licensed by the above individual.

It is suggested that other Federal investigative agencies be contacted to determine if they had coverage of the subject.

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NOTE: Review of appropriate records at FBIHQ and various field offices disclose's no additional pertinent electronic surveillance information on Meyer Lansky since rememo 10-27-69.

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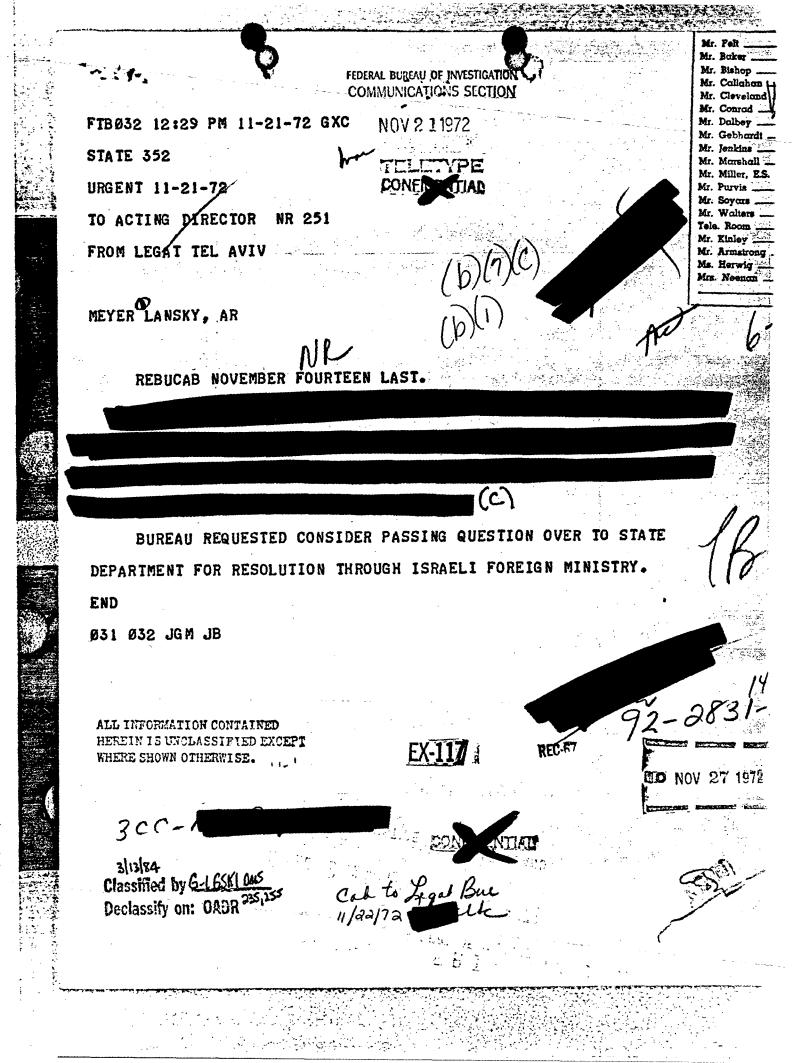






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THE EVENING STAR and DAILY NEWS Washington, D. C., Tuesday, November 7, 1972

# Lansky Seized By Miami FBI

MIAMI (UPI)-Meyer Lansky, reputed financial wizard underworld's gambling empire, was arrested by federal agents today after a twoday aerial odyssey looking for sanctuary from American jus-

Lansky, 70, was escorted off a Braniff jetliner which landed here by Kenneth Whittaker, in charge of the Miami FBI office, and several other agents.

He left Israel late Sunday, five days before a deportation de dline.

Lansky's arrest ended a 00-mile flight in search of as tum during which Peru joined Israel, Switzerland, Argentina and Paraguay in rejecting him.

After being cleared by Customs and Immigration officials, Lansky was questioned for nearly two hours at the FBI building in Mami and was booked on charges of income tax evasion and illegal gambling.

He was led to a car and transported to the Federal Building where he was placed in a detention cell. Arraignment was set for later today. before a U.S. magistrate.

Bond was expected to be set at \$200,000.

Wearing a rumpled blue sport coat with a white shirt open at the collar, the short, gray-haired Lansky smiled and chatted with the federal agents as he walked toward the customs and immigration offices.

Lansky's wife, Thelma, is still in Tel Aviv. He was denied permission to settle in Israel because, a court ruled, he is a threat to public safety.

Lansky reportedly offered \$1 million to any country that would take him in.

Lansky was indicted in Miami in March 1971, when he failed to answer a grand jury subpoena to testify. Later, he was indicted by grand juries



**MEYER LANSKY** 

in Miami, New York and Las Vegas for income tax evasion : and interstate transportation in aid of racketeering.

Dougald McMillan, chief of the Justice Department's strike force in Miami, said Lansky faced a maximum; penalty of five years in prison and a \$10,000 fine on the interstate transportation charge and one to five years on the tax evasion charges.



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Police responded to a report of a family argument involving Jose Mendez and his wife, Gloria, 22.

Melchior said that when the patrolmen arrived at the scene they found the couple engaged in a heated argument. While attempting to control the situation they became involved in a scuffle with Jose and seven other men, including Felipe, who rushed the pair when the officers intervence.

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NEW ORLEANS, La.—Gov. Edwin Edwards has set a 1 p.m. deadline today for militant students to give up Southern University in New Orleans or be evicted by "whatever means necessary."

He issued the ultimatum yesterday in Baton Rouge, and at the same time ereated a 23-member special committee to talk with students about their complaints regarding the university.

#### Corona Trial

FAIFFIELD, Calif.—A sheriff's deputy testified yesterday he found a post hole digger with "some hair on the digging portion" in the garage of mass murder defendant Juan V. Corona.

"It was the most damaging

evidence produced to date by the presecution against the man accused of slaying 25 migrant workers whese bodies were found buried along the Feather river.

'Angel' Berserk

URIAH, Calif-Hell's Angel turncoat George Wethern "went off his rocker," jabbing pencils into his eyes and choking his wife in their Mendocino County jail cell, the county sheriff said yesterday.

Wethern, 33, poked holes in the inside corner of both eyes and in the skin above the eyeballs in his effort to blind himself but suffered no permanent damage to his eyesight, said Sheriff Reno Bartolomic. His wife Heten, 29, was not hurt.

Wethern owns a 153-acre ranch near Ukiah where three bodies were uncarthed last week by authorities who described it as a "Hell's Angels horying ground," four Angels were arrested in the slavings.

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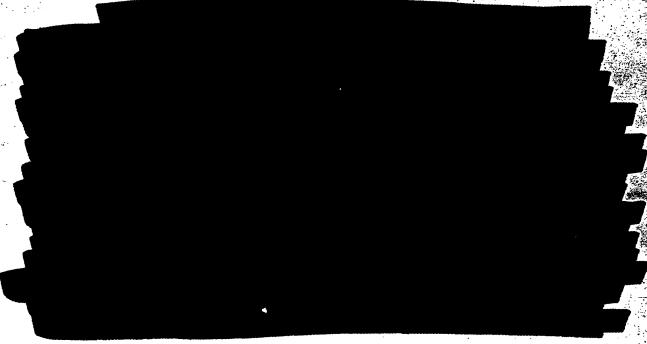


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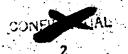
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The November 8, 1972, issue of the "Jerusalem Post" contains an article which incisively illustrates the high feeling existing in Israel over LANSKY's expulsion. The article, captioned "Lansky's Odyssey and the Law of Return, Personal Opinion," is written by a staff writer of that paper, who with considerable emotion and anger attacks the Government of Israel in general and the Minister of Interior, Dr. YOSEF BURG, and State Attorney, Mr. GAVRIEL BACH, in particular. The writer. DAVID LANDAU, in brief, regards the expulsion as the unfair and even illegal treatment of a Jew by the Government of Israel, relating the case to Israel's Law of Return. The Law of Return allows any Jew of the world to migrate to Israel without concern for quota. The action on the part of the Government in LANSKY's case was an equivocation to justify the expulsion. LANSKY's rejection by one country after another in his flight on November 5 and 6, 1972, was equated by LANDAU \* to the sight of the wandering homeless Jews, rebounding from one closed door to another, with no door of his own to knock at." He states that LANSKY's case is "even more poignant in some respects than the story of the German Jew in 1959 who searched frantically on a travel agent's globe for a possible country of refuge, but ended up begging the travel agent: 'have you got mother globe perhaps?!"

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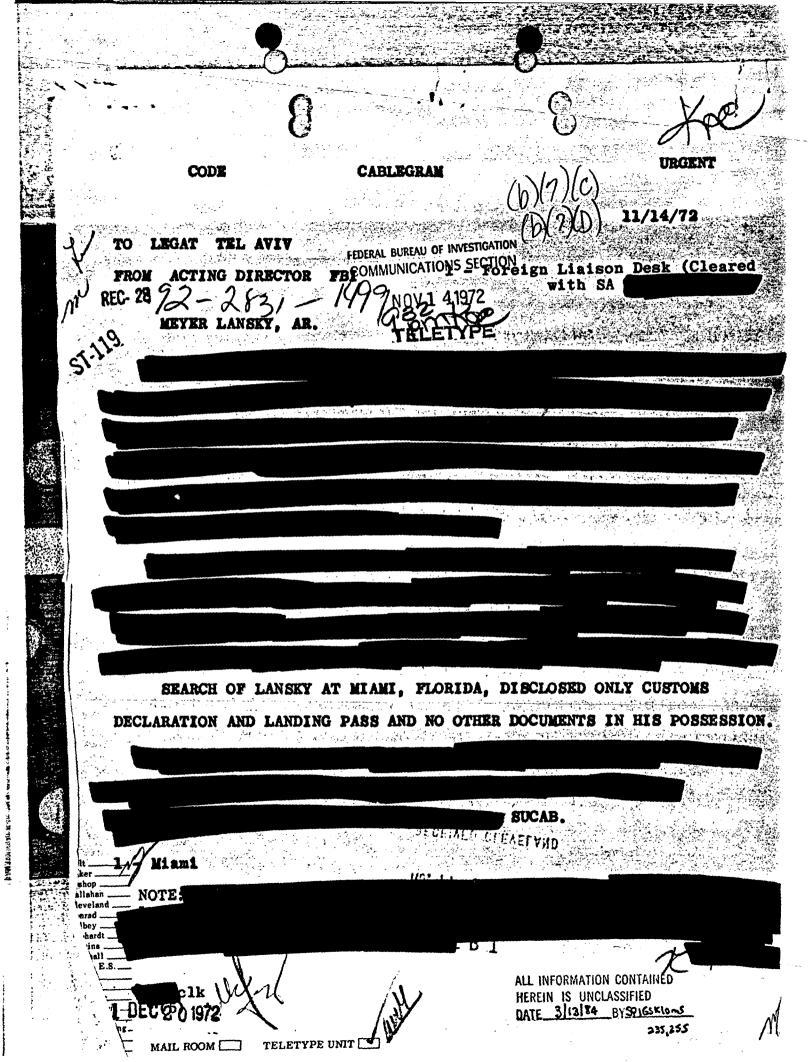
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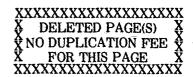






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IF ANY WITNESSES ARE AVAILABLE WHO CAN TESTIFY AS TO OBSERVING

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